

# Benny Kauff Has Call In Auto Accident--Yale Goes Back To Tackling Dummy--Other Sport Items

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## YANKEES MAY LAND PLANK OF ATHLETICS

Eddie Plank, the veteran pitcher of the Athletics, may become a Highlander, for the 1916 campaign. As yet Plank has not affixed his signature to a New York contract, but in all probability a deal will be made in a few days between Frank Farrell, owner of the Highlanders, and Connie Mack, leader of the former world's champion, whereby the veteran southpaw will become the property of the New York club.

President Farrell admitted yesterday afternoon that the New York club was after Plank, and would go to extremes to land the services of the veteran pitcher.

Immediately after the Boston Braves announced the Athletics in the world's series, Connie Mack started every follower of the national game by asking wagers on his three veteran pitchers—Plank, Bender and Jack Coombs. Every other club in the American League has refused to waive on either Plank or Bender and there will be, unquestionably, some lively bidding for the two pitchers before Mack turns them loose.

Plank is still one of the best pitchers in the American League and still has a lot of good baseball left in his system. In the world's series he pitched splendidly and lost only because his defense crumbled.

In a report from Philadelphia, which said that Plank would join the Highlanders, it was said that Ray Caldwell would be with the Highlanders next season and so would Russell Ford, who jumped to the Buffalo Bisons last year. President Farrell said that if peace were declared Ford and Caldwell would rejoin the Highlanders.

## WARD SAYS HE HAD CHANCE TO BUY BROOKLYNS

New York, Nov. 13.—Robert Ward, president of the Brooklyn Tip Tops, evidently was trying to get a rise out of Charley Ebbets when he returned to New York from Chicago yesterday, where he tried to help Charles Weegman, Garry Herrmann and Ben Johnsen bring about peace in the baseball world.

Mr. Ward said that he was told by Garry Herrmann that he might, but either the Brooklyn, Boston or Philadelphia National League clubs. "I was given to understand that these three clubs could be bought," said Ward, "but I have not given anybody power to act for me. When Mr. Herrmann talked to me about these clubs I had every reason to believe that he was acting with authority."

President Ward refused to say which one of the three clubs he preferred should peace be declared, Ward also said all talk that he had an option on either the Brooklyn or Philadelphia club was all wrong. "I was simply told I could buy these clubs, but I have not talked business with any one," the Brooklyn magnate continued.

King Victor Emmanuel, of Italy, celebrated his 49th birthday.

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## BENNY KAUFF INJURED WHEN SPEEDING AUTO IS WRECKED

### Nate Wheeler Engaged to Coach the Humphrey Football Team in New Haven

(By Wagner.)

Benny Kauff, the old Bridgeport outfielder and recent sensation of the Federal league, had a narrow escape from death Wednesday afternoon when his automobile was wrecked at Winchester, Ind. The machine swerved while going at terrific speed and left the road, breaking off a telephone pole a few feet above ground. Kauff and two companions were thrown out and badly bruised. Benny was arrested and given a heavy fine for speeding. The fans didn't think when Benny was chasing files for Bridgeport that he would soon be riding in his own machine.

Nate Wheeler of this city, who gained fame as quarterback of the Yale eleven, has been engaged to coach the Humphrey team of New Haven. The Humphreys claim they have secured the Remington-Yosts for a game on Annex field, New Haven, November 22.

It is reported that the manager of the Williams football eleven of New Haven, has been engaged to coach the Yale eleven. While here he is alleged to have said something which indicates trouble in the New Haven elimination series. It is rumored that the Annex team, the present New Haven champions, have refused to play the Williams on Thanksgiving day at Yale field, even if the Williams beat the Washington, Glees club. The scheme is to have the Annex and Glees play at Lighthouse Point, regardless of the result of the elimination games, and thereby throw down the Yale officials.

The Blue Ribbons appear to have a strong lineup for the opening of the basketball season in Colonial hall next Tuesday night. Stow and Beckman will be the forwards; Leonard, center; Acker, Swenson and Langhammer, guards. Stow is well known to local fans and Beckman, who is a member of the crack Kingston, N. Y., five, played several games with the Blue Ribbons last season. He is a good shot. Leonard is a member of the St. Gabriel's five of New York, which took two out of three from Stamford. Swenson was with the Ribbons last season and proved one of the most popular players on the squad. Acker was secured from the fast Knickerbocker five of New York. Langhammer is the old Ribbon star. The Yankees team, which contains some of the best players in the country, will oppose the Ribbons next Tuesday.

Owner Gaffney of the Boston Braves denies that he is willing to sell the club for \$400,000. Gaffney says he would not dispose of the Braves for less than a million. Money is tight just now so nobody will try to crowd a million on Gaffney.

Manager Jennings of Detroit, declares he is not afraid of Cobb and Crawford jumping to the Federals. Why should he be when the Federals are about to pass quietly into the soup?

The Annex team of New Haven will go to Waterbury, Sunday, to play the All-Waterbury football eleven.

Efforts are being made to have the Yale eleven play a game in the East on November 23. The plan to have an All-Eastern team meet an All-Western squad appears to have fallen through and the scheme now is to have Yale meet either Williams, Amherst or Dartmouth.

The Yale football ticket department says there have been 72,332 applications for 49,000 seats at the Harvard game. Practically all the public applications, 4,300, have been turned back.

## PRACTICE IN TACKLING FOR YALE ELEVEN

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 13.—Yale's football squad yesterday paid its last visit to Yale Field before the game with Princeton. With the exception of which Coach Frank Hickey has adhered for ten days in signal drill are "Varsity spent an hour in running of signals and handling punts and passes. Concluding this practice the first string men had their prize stakes being thrust into fifteen minutes of dummy tackling. This reversal to rudimentary play was not pleasant, but no player was excused from it, the rush line getting more than the backs.

Five eleven were on the field, the largest number retained in practice on record to the final drill before a Princeton game. The idea of the Yale coach to Hickey's scheme for developing substitute players until the end of the season. No visiting coaches were present, a marked departure from former years when former players were stocked almost by the dozen to the scene on the eve of the departure of the eleven for Tigertown. All the work was secret and the players did not visit the Yale "bowls."

Lineup selected last week, despite minor injuries to Knowles and Sullivan. There will be many substitutions and two full elevens are expected to face the Tiger.

## TORRINGTON HOPEFUL OF DEFEATING YOSTS

The Torrington eleven will come here Sunday afternoon to stack up against the Remington-Yost. This outfit is one of the heaviest ball teams playing football today. From tackle to tackle the height of the men averages six feet two inches, and the average weight is 205 pounds.

This team has been coached all season by Hazel of the Springfield Training school. He has not played as yet, but Manager Scanlon says Hazel will be in the line-up of the Torrington team on Sunday afternoon. The Yost has been practicing diligently for this game, as the Torrington team defeated the West Point eleven 26 to 0 two Sundays after the Yost team was played to a stand-still by this same West Point team.

## SHEVLIN AND RAFFERTY NO HEROES TO FATHERS

Tom Shevlin the old Yale star, tells the following story of his father, the late Thomas Shevlin of Minneapolis: "My first varsity year was 1903, and Charley Rafferty and I were ends. Rafferty's father and mine came to the game. Their special cars were lying side by side at New Haven. Mr. Rafferty met his father as he left the car, and with his courteous little smile, said: "Well, Shevlin, I suppose that by tonight we'll be famous as the father of two great football players on the great Yale team."

"As it happened the Tigers won. Mr. Rafferty met my father going to his car after the game and shook his head sadly.

"Hello Shevlin," he said. "I see we are still old man Shevlin and old man Rafferty!"

Henry C. Tinker of New York, director in several corporations, died as a result of internal wounds he received when he swallowed a small steel instrument while in a dentist chair.

## PRINCETON CHEERS TEAM FOR YALE GAME

Princeton, N. J., Nov. 13.—Fifteen hundred Princeton undergraduates cheered the Tiger team at a mass meeting in Alexander Hall last night. It was the most enthusiastic gathering in Princeton since the Hart's championship eleven decided their victory in 1911. Head Coach Penfield and Hart spoke, and both promised that the team would go on the field Saturday prepared for a superhuman effort against the Yale.

The defeat by Harvard has not shaken the confidence of Princeton's undergraduates in their eleven, and the general feeling is that Yale is in for the liveliest kind of a time on Saturday.

All the regulars were in their places, even Glick, who has been on the side lines this week, going to his regular place at half back. He worked out there for the greater part of the time, but toward the end he was sent in at quarter back in place of Ames. The coaches realize that they must have a second-string quarter on whom they can depend in case of injury to Ames, and Glick seems to be the probable choice.

## AD WOLGAST MUST HAVE VERY BRITTLE BONES

(By T. S. Andrews.)

Ad Wolgast, the little Michigan bearcat and former lightweight champion, is certainly a hard luck fighter. Three times Ad has had his arm broken in matches, which leads to the supposition that he either swings very wild at times or his bones must be brittle. He was just rounding into form again after having made a poor fight with Joe Mandot in Milwaukee a month or two ago, due to his lack of condition, and now he is out of it for two or three months at least.

The trouble may be that Ad has not permitted the bones to become thoroughly knitted before taking violent exercise. The fans will regret the accident to him for he has been one of the most pleasing performers ever given in a ring. Like Battling Nelson, he never stalled and gave the fans a run for their money. It is hoped that Ad will find the break less serious than at first reported and that he may get back into the ring before the robins come around again.

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Coach Hillard is drilling Andover in secret. Eddie Mahan gave the backs and punters some tips Monday.

Lehigh is still clamoring for a game with Williams to be played Thanksgiving Day in Boston. The proceeds would be for the Belgian sufferers.

Leo Calnan, formerly of Springfield High, is playing a fine game at quarterback for Georgetown.

Pennsylvania State coaches are so sure that they have sent all the "varsity backs to the second team.

Syracuse is all worked up over the Dartmouth game. The New York state students are very confident that their team will win.

Glenn Warner is about through as coach for the Carlisle Indians. Next year he will be head coach at the University of Pittsburgh. Warner has made a great reputation for himself

and the Indians, but his popularity at Carlisle of late has decreased.

Coach Hurry-Up Yost has at last succeeded in beating an Eastern team. First it was Syracuse that took the measure of the Wolverines by the score of 20-6; then it was Harvard, 7-0; but now Michigan has turned the trick on the Quakers to the tune of 24-3. This should be some consolation for his past beatings.

No team among the smaller colleges has shown more efficiency with the forward pass than Holy Cross. Under Luke Kelly, the former Notre Dame player, the Purple plays a wide open game, and most of its gains have been made by this method. In Quarterback Devin on the delivering end, and Barney Lee, the quarter miler, on the receiving end, Holy Cross has a couple of players who can be ranked with the best of them.

After the Holy Cross-Carlisle Indian game Saturday, both the captains for the respective teams claimed the ball, but Referee Dr. O'Brien settled all argument by taking the ball himself. It is the custom in case of a tie game played on neutral field that the ball goes to the referee.

### DISCUSS YALE-PENN RACE AT FALL REGATTA

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 13.—Yale's Fall regatta was held yesterday, the principal races between the three Varsity and the two freshman crews resulted in victory for the second Varsity and first freshman. The first Varsity eight, which was stroked by Gilfillan and which contained Capt. Demore, Meyer and Low, swept to the finish line a poor third. The third Varsity eight, which was stroked by H. Coe, finished second.

In the Varsity launch were Coach Vroman, Nickalls, Capt. of the team and Manager Davis of the University of Pennsylvania crew, and it is understood that a Yale-Pennsylvania race was discussed.

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